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The Rev. F. E. d'Anyers Willis, vicar of Haigh and Aspull, in the Wigan coalfield, has furnished the district council with cases of overcrowding in his parish which, he says, "are nothing less than a disgrace to a Christian community." In one case a total of 12, husband, wife, husband's father, wife's brother, children of both sexes from a lad aged 18 and a girl aged 15 downwards to a baby of four months, are living in a two-bedroomed house. Another case quoted shows a total of 11, husband, wife, six daughters, three sons (eldest 26), most of family being grown-up, also living in a two-bedroomed house; and in a third case there are ten, husband, wife, and eight children (eldest 13 years), occupying a similar type of house.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

IRISH AFFAIRS.

London, Oct. 4. A crop of fresh outrages in Ireland marked the week end. One policeman was killed and several injured in Cork. Soldiers were fired on in Dublin and a sergeant wounded. A raid was made upon a Unionist farmer at Carrickmacross, when the Sinn Feiners shot the farmer upon his opening the door. His condition is very critical. A fierce bomb and rifle attack was made upon French Park Barracks in Roscommon. It was ultimately beaten off, many of the raiders being wounded.

Belfast, Oct. 4.

The deathroll since July is sixty-five.

London, Oct. 5.

Mr. Asquith, in a letter to the "Times," declares that the most deplorable chapter of the past nine months has been accentuated by the tragic urgency of the Irish situation, wherein the Executive is impotent and aggressive, and the want of policy has reached a climax in an unexampled campaign of reprisals, for which the Government is responsible. Mr. Asquith says he cannot contemplate Viscount Grey's counsel of the final abandonment of the trust which history has imposed on Britain. He declares that nothing but the bestowal upon Ireland of the status of an autonomous dominion in the fullest and widest sense can now satisfy Irish aspirations. He points out hereafter that none of the dominions claims the right to a separate foreign policy. On the other hand all show an increasing legitimate desire for fuller confidence and freer consultation in the whole domain of our external relations, particularly as regards the making and revision of treaties. The Dominion of Ireland should be on a level footing with the rest. He does not share the apprehensions with regard to naval and military forces, claiming that no Irish Government would be so insane as to mortgage its scanty margin of resources for such a fruitless enterprise as the creation of an Irish Navy; but Mr. Asquith favours granting Ireland powers to create an adequate defensive military force and says the only alternative is to seriously undertake the task of reconquering Ireland and holding her by force, a task which will never be sanctioned by the conscience of the British people. He concludes: "I am not alarmed by the spectre of an Irish Republic. Men don't in the long run fight for phrases, but for realities."

The "Daily Mail," reflecting on the changed attitude as regards Mr. McSwiney, declares that a wondering public is asking how it is done. The Lord Mayor has fasted fifty-four days, yet his hand is steady enough for him to shave himself every morning. He reads his newspaper daily with interest. The paper says the official reports to the Government state there is no reason to think death is near. He is in no immediate danger. Medical opinion points out that by now he should have lost nearly all his fat, over one fourth of his blood, a sixth of his lungs and an eighth of his bones. His body should be shrunken, his eyes hollow, his skin parched and shrivelled and his limbs wasted.

EGYPTIAN TERRORISTS.

London, Oct. 5.

One of the most important cases in the annals of Egyptian criminal trials has ended in Cairo, in which Abdelrahman Beyfahmy, an ex-Provincial Governor and ex-servant of the ex-Khedive, and twenty-seven others, comprising students, lawyers and members of the Moslem League at Elazhar, were accused of conspiracy as members of a criminal association called "The Vengeance Society," the objects of which were the preaching of sedition, the assassination of the Sultan of Egypt, Ministers and other Egyptians of whom the Society disapproved. It is alleged the Society organised the recent attacks on the British soldiers, also the bomb attacks on Ministers. It is stated it had correspondents almost throughout the world. It is noteworthy that some of the accused exhorted the Society to adopt Sinn Fein tactics. The Court is now considering its verdict.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S FIRST APPEAL.

Washington, Oct. 4.

President Wilson's first election campaign appeal direct to the people urges the electors to endorse the League of Nations and declares that the whole world awaits the verdict of America in November. The assertion that Article Ten of the Covenant will enable other nations to lead the United States into war is absolutely false. The Covenant in no way impairs the right of Congress to declare or not to declare war according to its own independent judgment.

GERMAN PRISONER RELEASED.

Leavenworth, Kentucky, Oct. 5.

Von Bopp and Doctor Von Schack have been released on parole. It is believed they will return to Germany. They were formerly Consul and Vice-Consul at San Francisco, where they were convicted in 1918 and sentenced to five years imprisonment for violating American neutrality by endeavouring to foment a revolution in India with the purpose of embarrassing Great Britain during the war.

THE WALL STREET EXPLOSION.

Pittsburg, Oct. 4.

A man named Zelenaka, from Brooklyn, has been arrested for possessing a quantity of dynamite, after a furious resistance. It is believed many arrests in New York and Brooklyn will follow. It is reported that Zelenaka left Brooklyn at the hour of the recent Wall Street explosion and remarked to fellow passengers, "See what we did in Wall Street! Next time it will be bigger and more terrible."

WORLD'S BIGGEST SHIP BURNED.

Berlin, Oct. 5.

It is reported from Hamburg that a fire there destroyed the 55,000-ton liner Bismarck, the biggest ship in the world, which was in course of construction for handing over to the Allies.

TURK Y'S PUBLIC DEBT.

Constantinople, Oct. 4.

British, French and Italian delegates on the Board of Administration of the Ottoman Public Debt assume control of Turkey's finances from to-morrow.

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THE C. Y. C.

TO BE CLOSED THIS MONTH.

The annual general meeting of members of the Corinthian Yacht Club was held at the Club House yesterday afternoon. Commodore G. G. Wool presided and with him were Messrs. G. A. Burn (Secretary), Ainslie (Treasurer), R. J. Dixon and J. H. Cookhouse. A small number of members were present.

Notice had also been given of special business, viz. to consider the following resolutions:

1.—That the Hongkong Corinthian Yacht Club be wound up, the assets realised and the proceeds of sale of the assets be applied to the payment of all the outstanding debts and debentures of the Club.

2.—That the offer of the Government to pay to the Hongkong Corinthian Yacht Club such a sum of money over and above the sum realised from the sale of the assets of the Club as may be required to redeem any outstanding debentures of the Club be accepted, and that such sum be applied to that purpose.

The notice stated:—"Owing to the Prava Reclamation Scheme, it will be very shortly necessary to vacate the present plot of ground, foreshore and premises occupied by this Club. I enclose a statement of accounts of the Club up to the end of the financial year, the 31st July, 1930, from which it will be seen that the finances of the Club are in a very poor way. This is chiefly due to lack of sufficient support and it is generally felt by the active members of the Club that, from a purely yachting and sailing point of view, two yacht clubs in the Colony are not only unnecessary, but add considerably to the cost and expense of yachting. There is a sum of about \$1,020 owing to debenture holders and the assets of the Club are quite insufficient to meet this liability. Your Committee have been in communication with the Government as to the payment to the Club of some compensation for the forced vacation of the premises, and whilst the Government maintains that it is under no legal obligation to compensate the Club, it is willing to offer such a sum as may be necessary to redeem the outstanding debentures after the realisation of the assets of the Club. Your Committee see no alternative but to accept the offer of the Government, subject to the approval of the members, and a meeting will be called in accordance with the attached notice to carry this into effect."

The Chairman stated that the first thing to be considered was to pass the Balance Sheet for last year. An outstanding feature on the expenditure side of the Profit and Loss Account was the sum of money owed to the Club by members, of which the Club hoped to recover as much as possible. On the other side, the bar profits had been very good considering the small number of members using the Club, and the small number of new members the Club had. The price had been cut down to a minimum as compared with previous years. The Club was liable for payment of \$1,019.90. The next item was the Loan Account of Mr. van Andel. During the war the Club was in a low financial position owing to the fact that the majority of the members were on war service. Despite this, the Club was kept running, through the good services of Mr. van Andel and his loan. The Club was very much indebted to Mr. van Andel and he (the Chairman) would later explain the best means of paying the loan. Had it not been for Mr. van Andel's loan and his services he (the Chairman) had no doubt that the Club would have closed down three or four years ago. As there was nothing more on the Balance Sheet that called for comment, he asked the meeting if they had anything to ask before he proposed the adoption of the Balance Sheet.

There being no questions, Mr. A. D. Gee seconded the adoption of the Balance Sheet, which was carried unanimously.

The Chairman: The next thing to be considered is probably the most important one. The Club is to be wound up and we have to consider how we are to liquidate our liabilities. As you know, the new reclamation is about to be put in hand. The reclamation in front of this Club will extend to practically 200 yards out from this Club and practically cuts off the whole of Wanchai Bay. To all intents and purposes it is intended to make a straight line from the Naval Gunner to the Jardine Centre. A reclamation of this magnitude means that there will be no anchorage left on this side. It takes you out to the big moorings and deep water, which is not suitable for small yachts. For some time the Committee have been considering the best means of getting out from this site with as little a loss as possible. Some months ago the Committee approached the Government, as to their intentions, and when the reclamation was likely to be started, and we were informed by them that the reclamation would start almost immediately, and that we were to get out of here. The Government have promised us compensation for this building and the Committee have been considering as to how the compensation is to be utilised to redeem debentures and make good any deficit. If we liquidate this Club, sell all the furniture, the slips etc., and lay the Balance Sheet before the Governor, the Colonial Secretary said he would recommend that the outstanding liabilities be delayed by the Government for taking over the Club building for their own purposes. As you know, we are occupying this piece of ground by paying \$1 annually as squatting fee, but we have also to pay rates and taxes to the Government, which amount to a considerable sum. We have been allowed to remain here by the Government since 1904, and it is a pity that after all these years the Club should have to be closed down. The Club's records will be preserved until it has been definitely decided as to whether we should form another Club, or whether to merge with the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. There are very few members who are not also members of the R. H. Y. C., and the members have realised that it is expensive to be members of two smaller Clubs. The loss of slips will be felt, and no doubt the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club will build to replace those of this Club. I think I have made it plain that the Club is in a position to be liquidated.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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RUSSIA, POLAND AND LITHUANIA.

London, Oct. 4.

Although there are sensational reports from Helsingfors as regards the situation in Russia, they are not yet confirmed. Finnish frontier reports indicate that great anxiety is prevailing in Soviet circles hereabout. Both on the Polish front and in Crimea the Red forces are demoralised with hunger and are surrendering or deserting. Trotsky's efforts to recruit new forces in Siberia and the eastern provinces have failed, while the labouring classes at Moscow and Petrograd, if they have not actually declared a general strike, are threatening to do so and pillaging the factories. It must be remembered that authentic news from Russia is always scanty, owing to terrorism and the strictest control of visitors ever devised.

Warsaw, Oct. 4.

A Polish-Lithuanian armistice has been concluded. The demarcation line is not yet known.

London, Oct. 4.

There is no confirmation in London so far of the Warsaw report that a Polish-Lithuanian armistice has been concluded. On the contrary, according to the latest Lithuanian information, severe fighting was going on on Saturday, with heavy casualties for both sides. Neither had the Lithuanian Government accepted the suggested Polish demarcation line, which it considers unjustifiable.

London, Oct. 5.

The "Times" correspondent at Riga states that peace prospects are considered bright, although much depends on the development of the internal situations in Warsaw and Moscow. The Poles have delivered a considered reply to Joffe's terms. The Reds have agreed to eliminate all reference to East Galicia in the treaty. It is declared that private meetings between Joffe and Dombowski have led to an understanding on all the main points.

Wrangel's operations in South Russia have again come into prominence. The situation is apparently developing very rapidly and a big move to the line Ekaterinoslav-Rostoff appears imminent, simultaneously with the widespread reports of General Makhno, apparently the famous guerrilla leader, who has already advanced to Losovaia, Slaviansk and Kramatorsk in the Donetz basin and reached Kremenchuk on the Dnieper. The movement prepares the way for a big Wrangel advance, as the capture of Losovaia and Slaviansk cuts the Bolshevik main communications from their big base, Kharkoff, to the Rostoff area, while Ekaterinoslav is menaced from the rear. Wrangel announces that eleven thousand prisoners were counted in the Volnovanka area. He has reached a point nineteen miles west of Mariupol, imprisoning six hundred. Meanwhile Trotsky's latest trumpet call reveals the greatest anxiety as regards the southern front. He declares it must be liquidated before the winter.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN TRADE AGREEMENT.

London, Oct. 5.

The draft of the Anglo-Russian trade agreement has been published. It confirms the recent cabled forecast. It ignores the question of the vast liabilities of the Russian Government, municipalities and private borrowers, and proposes protection against the attachment of Russian gold, securities and commodities which Russia may export in the course of trading. The "Times" denounces the agreement as a contract of repudiation of Russia's obligations and declares every member of the Stock Exchange, the Baltic and Lloyd's knows that the repudiation of a contract would mean instant expulsion and disgrace. It states, however, that the Cabinet is reported to have postponed consideration of the agreement, because the reports of disintegration of the Soviet forces grow steadily more persistent. Furthermore, trade negotiations will not be resumed until the Government has received satisfactory assurances from the Soviet as regards the return of British prisoners, Bolshevik propaganda and hostile action in Asia.

THE TRADE DEPRESSION.

It appears that trade depression is setting in quicker than anticipated. The Phoenix Steel Works at Sheffield have notified the retrenchment of a thousand workers owing to shortage of orders. Other manufacturers are stated to be taking similar action shortly. There are three thousand workers, principally seamen, unemployed at Cardiff and considerable unemployment is reported in the black country. Hundreds of operatives were discharged on 2nd inst.

EARL HAIG'S APPEAL

London, Oct. 4.

Earl Haig, addressing representative Glaswegians, appealed for support for ex-service men by providing work for able-bodied men and money for disabled men. He referred to the formation of the Officers' Association, but added that it was his aim to see a great united Empire organisation. He was attending conferences at Leicester in November therefore, and visiting Capetown in the spring.

THE MINERS' BALLOT.

London, Oct. 4.

The text has been issued of the miners' ballot form. The men are asked to vote either for or against the mineowners' offer cabled on 1st Oct.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CAPTAIN DROWNED.

Singapore, October 6.

Captain Kearon of the steamer Kuching has been drowned, as the result of an attempt to rescue a child who had fallen into the sea at Tanjong Katong.

CARNIVOROUS PLANTS

ODOROUS FLY TRAPS AT
KEW GARDENS.

In one of the hottest divisions of the "T" green-house and the adjoining cool porch at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, there can be seen just now many examples of carnivorous plants. All of these attract insects by some kind of lure, a bait of colour, or scent, or even only a convenient resting-place, then trap them, or lime them with a sticky secretion, and finally kill and digest them.

A large greenhouse is full of pitcher-plants, chiefly species of *Nepenthes*, from Malaysia, and *Sarracenia*, from the New World. Some are upright in pots, others are trained like vines against the sloping glass, and from all numerous pitchers depend. These are really modified leaves in *Nepenthes* carried on a long and flexible leaf-stalk, forms a curved handle, and in the *Sarracenia* without a stalk. The bottom of the pitcher secretes a juice which stupefies the insects, kills them, and slowly digests them. The nutritive juices then pass straight into the plant, and save it from the chemical business of building up protoplasm from inorganic materials. Some of the pitchers are bright green, other are flecked with brown or purple. The tip of the leaf usually forms a kind of lid, which serves several purposes. It keeps rain from filling the pitcher and so flooding out the insects or drowning the digestive juices. Its upper surface is often brightly coloured and serves as a convenient resting-place on which an insect, lured by sight or scent, alights to explore. Following the attraction, the insect creeps into the pitcher, is prevented from getting out by rows of recurved bristles, and soon drops down to join earlier victims in the bottom of the urn.

There are also some plants of the famous Venus fly-trap *Carolina*. The green blades of this plant are binged and surrounded with spikes. The upper surface of the leaf has many little purple-stalked glands and sensitive hairs. A faint odour attracts the insect, which alights on the leaf. There is no sticky secretion, but within five seconds of the sensitive hairs being touched the hinged leaf snaps together, entrapping the victim. The digestive juices are poured out, and the insect is slowly dissolved and absorbed. The leaf then opens, and the hard indigestible remains fall out.

ENGLISH INSECT-CATCHERS.

Even more interesting to English visitors are the examples of the species of *Butterwort* and *Sundew*, many of which are found in Great Britain, on boggy moors and heaths. The common *butterwort* or *butterworth* is a small plant with leaves shaped like those of a daisy, but smooth and hairless, and a manure flower carried on a slender stem. The *sundew* is a smaller plant with spoon-shaped leaves carried on the end of long stalks, and studded with little knobbed tentacles. Very little was known of them until a correspondent told Darwin that the leaves usually had many insects sticking to them. The great naturalist was interested, and began the set of observations and experiments which led to the famous book, "Insectivorous Plants."

There seems no doubt that both the *sundew* and the *butterwort* exude a secretion with an odour attractive to many kinds of insects, but especially to delicate flies. The insects alight on the leaves, and at once get entangled in the sticky fluid poured out by the knobbed glands. The more they struggle, the more smeared they become, and the juice seems to have a narcotic effect on them. Very soon, however, something else happens. In the *sundew* the tentacles slowly bend over, pressing their knobs on the fly until it is firmly held and almost completely covered. In one of the species, not found in England, the leaf is long and narrow, and rolls over on the fly. In the common *butterwort*, the edges of the leaf itself fold inwards, pressing down the fly. In another species there is a central furrow in the leaf, so arranged that the insect gradually sinks into it as it struggles. After a short time digestion is complete, the tentacles straighten or the curled edge of the leaf flattens out, releasing the remains of the insect, and the plant is ready for a new prey. In the sunlight at Kew yesterday afternoon the *butterworts* and *sundews* were catching flies—chiefly small midges.

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The truth about the National War Memorial is that we do not know what we want: all we know is that we have not got it, writes Mr. Willfred Whitten ("John O'London") in the Observer. Schemes and dreams follow each other into a limbo of doubt, and if we do not quickly take counsel it seems possible that we shall end by erecting a memorial to the Memorials and none to the War.

Meanwhile hope cannot live in a vacuum, and this, I believe, explains the desperate proposal to symbolise our race and its victorious soul in a War monument whose design has no appropriate relation to either. The colossal Egyptian Pylon, with its flanking temples, which Sir Frank Baines has, with the best intentions and great skill designed for Hyde Park Corner, might have impressed Pharaohs who have long been "sold for balsam." But for us, what can it mean? To our children's children what will it convey? It is true that the disembodied spirit of British soldiers would be seen in "immense cloudy forms," a gigantic symbol of immortality would appear on the facade, and on vast spaces of this Nilotic structure, whose form and line is archaic and non-European, the outstanding incidents and lessons of the War of A.D. 1914-1918 would be figured in bas-reliefs! But if this is the best we can do to perpetuate the emotions and genius of the British people of today we had better admit the exhaustion of our art and the collapse of our own national sentiment.

THE EMPIRE WAY.

Happily we are in no such plight. If we do not know what we want it is because we hardly yet know what we feel. The nation's experience of the war was so enormous and passionate that attempts to collect and express it in material forms may well be bewildering. There was the idea of the re-making of central London, the construction of a great Empire Way from Charing Cross and over the river by a magnificent bridge, with stately and symbolic adjuncts. That scheme will yet be revived on its merits; but one may admit that in such a plan the idea of a war memorial is more implicit than explicit, and that there may be a hunger for a single and isolated symbol which it does not satisfy. We heard much also of a great mausoleum church to be for ever sacred to the memory of the dead; but that dream has faded in the light of the thought that, after all, the churches which our soldiers knew and loved in their native places are the shrines in which their names should be hallowed. One memorial established itself as if by Divine miracle. The Cenotaph rose originally to be seen and revered on a single great occasion, but in one day it became for ever sacred and immovable. Here our dead were saluted by the captains and the kings; here the heart of the race glowed and trembled in the greatest moment of our history. It is reasonable, therefore, to expect that the design of the new memorial should be a single and isolated symbol which it does not satisfy.

memorial which seeks to express what is expressed by the Cenotaph. Yet we are groping for something more complex and more ambitious. If we fail, I believe it will be because we want to be too elaborate, and in a sense, too clever. This wise question was put the other day by The Times: "Have we, as a people, any affinities with symbolism at all?" Many may reply in the affirmative, but it is certain that any such feeling is new, patchy, uncertain, and undeveloped. A great objection to the Pylon design is that it sets out to produce two kinds of wonder, which are by no means necessary to each other and may not conspire to produce a single effect. They are the wonder of vast size, and that different kind of wonder with which symbols distract the common mind.

Hyde Park Corner is already a place of great and settled traditions. Its embellishments are consistent and beautiful, and the styles can never be reconciled with a structure which recalls the temples of Karnak and Luxor. And for a century this "spectacular mount" of London has been consecrated by other war and peace memories which ought never to be confused or overlaid. Yet by producing his astonishing design Sir Frank Baines has set us all thinking. I believe we shall succeed best if we try to think through the minds of our dead heroes, and through the average mind of the people. A monument of the kind contemplated ought certainly to be colossal, for otherwise it cannot correspond to the magnitude of the experience it records. But if colossal it should be simple and it should express something that we wish to express.

SYMBOLISM AND THE SERPENTINE.

The stupendous moral and military effort of the Empire, as distinct from its losses and sorrows, seems to be the idea that needs to be embodied in some great shape, and I am by no means sure that a frank resort to an old and accepted symbol would not, in the end, be best, leaving grandeur of design and colossal dimensions to give significance to the result. Let us suppose that our sculptors carved a lion on a scale never before seen on this planet, and that our architects designed a great pedestal. Place this lion high on the island in the Serpentine, where, with up-lifted head, under London's widest sky, he would face the sunrise, and be silhouetted against the evening light, alone majestic and unique. The trees would grow about the monument, and the water would surround and reflect it. On the pedestal would be visible the simple inscription "1914-1918." Such a memorial to the strength and magnanimity of our race would have at least this merit—surely the chief one—that it might be trusted to appeal to the greatest number of people during the longest period. And if I am told that the idea is stale, I am content to reply that it is national, and that our national virtues are not staler. It would I swear, be better than a Pylon recalling the dusty rites of Osiris and Ra and Tum.

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PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

This Office will be closed for all purposes from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, the 11th October, 1920.

Business transactions will be entirely suspended on that day.

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Superintendent,
Imports and Exports.

NOTICE.
HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the City Hall, on Thursday the 14th October 1920, at 3.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st August 1920, electing office bearers for the ensuing year, etc.

R. J. PATERSON,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR. L. H. FAY, who has been teaching Chinese for many years, has now opened a school for the purpose of teaching the Chinese language to English students. The school is situated at No. 1, Prince of Wales Road, and will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays. The fee for the course is \$10 per month, and the course will last for six months. The school is open to all students, and no previous knowledge of Chinese is necessary.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.
From SAMARANG, SOURABAYA, BATAVIA, SINGAPORE & SAIGON.

THE Steamship "LAKE FARRAR"

having arrived on October 6, from the above mentioned ports, consignees are hereby notified that they must take immediate delivery of same alongside, and all cargo impeding discharge will be landed at their risk and expense into the hazardous godowns of the Messrs. Frank Waterhouse & Co. Yau-mat-She-ter, and at consignees' risk. Consignees must produce an Import Permit before bills of lading can be countersigned. All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be landed in Frank Waterhouse & Co's godowns, where they will be examined on Oct. 11th, at 2.30 p.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

All claims must be presented within 10 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer or godowns. Goods remaining undelivered after Oct. 13th will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their bills of lading for countersignature.

THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.,
Operators U. S. Shipping Board.
Hongkong, 7th October, 1920.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday, the 14th Oct. 1920, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

Comprising—
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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Friday, the 8th, October 1920, commencing at 11 a.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

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The U. S. S. SAMAR will be sold at the U. S. Navy Purchasing Office, No. 20 Whampoa Road, Shanghai, China, by sealed proposals to be opened at 10 a.m. on December 20, 1920.

The SAMAR was built at Cavite, P. I., in 1885. Length 121 feet, Beam 17 feet, 10 inches. Mean draft 7 ft. Displacement when in commission 243 Tons.

The vessel will be ready for inspection on September 10th. Appraised value \$28,000.00 U. S. Currency. Further information and blank proposals may be had by applying to the U. S. Navy Purchasing Office.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 5th October, 1920.

NOTICE.

The Undersigned resumes charge from this date.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 5th October, 1920.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

The Undersigned resumes charge from this date.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 5th October, 1920.

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WANTED.—Englishman with 13 years' experience in Shipping, Correspondence and general office work, seeks position with Mercantile firm. No objection to outposts. Please reply to Box 454 c/o Hongkong Telegraph.

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NOTICE.

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In accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 11th, October, 1920.
Hongkong, 6th October, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED.

Shareholders are reminded of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED to be held on Thursday the 7th day of October 1920 at 12 o'clock noon at the offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., the General Agents of the company at No. 16, Pailde Street, Victoria Hongkong for the purpose of considering and if thought fit co-forming a Special Resolution the Resolution set out hereunder which was passed at the Extraordinary general Meeting of the Members of the Company held on the 21st day of September 1920:—

"That the new Articles contained in the printed documents submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the (Chairman thereof be and the same be hereby approved, and that such new Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, all the existing Articles thereof." Dated this 1st day of October, 1920.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Saturday, the 9th, October, 1920, commencing at 11 a.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

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CONSIGNEES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.

The Steamship

"HAROLD DOLLAR"

having arrived from New York via Vancouver, B.C. and ports on October 3rd, 1920, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. and stored at consignees' risk.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns until Thursday October 7th, 1920, when they will be examined by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke at 2.15 p.m. Thursday October 7th, 1920.

Claims will not be accepted unless cargo is examined by said Surveyors, prior to the above date.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they will not be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

All goods remaining after October 10th, 1920, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their bills of lading for countersignature.

THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th. October, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP

"AFRICA"

From TRIESTE, VENICE, PORT SAID, COLOMBO, PENANG & SINGAPORE.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th inst. or they will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-surveyor on or before the 18th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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FUTURE OF DISABLED SOLDIERS.

CONTINUED DONATIONS. ADVISED.

The Select Committee on Pensions have presented to the House of Commons a report in which they criticise the official handling of the question of employment for disabled men. They state that insufficient steps were taken for promoting the employment scheme, a feature of which is the King's Roll.

It is recommended that the name of every Government Department should appear on the Roll, that local authorities should also qualify by employing the requisite percentage of disabled men, and that after a date to be fixed Government contracts should be granted only to firms whose names are on the Roll.

A NATIONAL CONFERENCE. The national conference of employers and employees to further the scheme, and a scrutiny of the lists of unemployed men, in order to distinguish between the qualified and those who need training, are suggested. Meantime, say the Committee, the out-of-work donation should be continued.

Increases in the scale of allowances in respect of war service in the mercantile marine are recommended. It is proposed to increase the minimum allowance for total incapacity from 35s. to 50s. a week, and to make corresponding increases for partial disablement. A maximum allowance of £36 is recommended for a child instead of the existing £30. War service in the mercantile marine is defined as service performed under conditions where risks were increased by war conditions.

CIVIL LIABILITY GRANTS. On the subject of civil liability grants, the Committee urge the speedy decentralisation of the cases of disabled men. Discretionary powers to make grants in certain circumstances should, the Committee think, be vested in the department. Officers and men serving since the Armistice should be permitted to make application for grants until the end of next year.

CITY POLICEMEN'S WAR HONOURS.

Captain Sir William Nott-Bower, Chief Commissioner of City Police, unveiled at Clock-lane Police Station recently a Roll of Honour of 100 members of "D" Division, City Police, who served in the war, and 11 of whom lost their lives. He said that on August 4, 1914, the strength of the division was 230, and of the 100 who served 83 gained commissioned or non-commissioned rank. Six commissions were awarded and 18 British and Allied distinctions were won for valour.

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THE ADMIRALTY AND THE LOWER DECK.

THE REAL INTEREST OF FLEET-MEN.

"Their Lordships are of opinion that it is desirable that the Welfare Conference should now proceed with the consideration of Requests to be placed before the next Committee, in accordance with the approved procedure, and that it is their unmistakable duty to the rest of the Service to do so."—Admiralty. Letter to the Commander-in-Chief at Devonport, August 3.

Those who have at heart the interests of the Lower Deck of the Navy were discouraged when the immediate outcome became known of the interview which the representatives of the Welfare Conference recently had with the First Sea Lord at the Admiralty, says Mr. John Leyland in the Observer. It seemed as if many efforts for the good of the Navy might be neutralised. But the stars in their courses cannot be allowed to fight against the ultimate welfare of our Fleet-men. Over 300 requests had been laid before the Admiralty, of which a considerable number were approved, while others remained under consideration, and the rest were refused, though possibly not with finality.

From the statement which precedes this article a definite conclusion arises. It is that a duty lies upon those who speak for or influence others that they should make the utmost use of the Welfare System. They cannot permit it to fail. Yet the representatives invited to Whitehall, dissatisfied with their Lordships' response, strangely enough expressed their desire to dissolve the Welfare Conference. Thereupon the Admiralty expressed their view in the sentence quoted above. Yet the representatives persisted in their intention not to carry on and their decision was communicated to the Admiralty by the Commander-in-Chief at Devonport on August 7. We are therefore reluctantly driven to the conclusion that the representatives have retired to their tents, but they must not, like Ulysses, feign madness and see the seashore with salt instead of the fields with corn.

WHY UNREST ARISES. A very great effort has been made to improve, as far as possible, the conditions of the

sea service. Admiral Jarrams' Committee did an immense work, and the Welfare System was set on foot. Great benefits have thereby already been secured, and more will be done with mutual confidence and good will. It is by a full understanding of what is necessary for the advantage of the men that the Admiralty can be strengthened against the Treasury, for it is important to realise that nine-tenths of existing unrest arises from the reduced value of money. That much can be achieved by judicious handling may be seen by the recent decision to increase the provision and leave allowance from 2s. 1d. to 3s. 6d. a day. It would therefore be an error of the first magnitude for the Inter-Port representatives to abandon the work of the Welfare Conference, and thus to lose the advantage of a whole year. The Admiralty have indicated that this and no less would be the consequence of abatement, and certainly the action would not be in accord with the spirit in which the Welfare Scheme was inaugurated, and has so far been conducted. The Inter-Port Welfare Committee require reconstruction. At present, on the basis of the strength of the various ratings in the Fleet, they are far from representing the Lower Deck. They really represent a series of committees located in the ports. The seamen and stokers, though greatly more numerous than all the other ratings put together, probably to the extent of 80 per cent., may conceivably be outvoted at the Conference. One would not pre-judge the views of the bluejackets and stokers, but the point is that they are not now adequately represented. Even the Seamen's Society is numerically small, compared to the total strength. CONSIDERATION IMPERATIVE. Things cannot be allowed to remain in the apparent impasse they have reached. All the efforts for the betterment of the position of the men cannot end in fiasco. The representatives of the Inter-Port Welfare Committee, even as now constituted, can do most useful work. Probably the alleged discontent has been exaggerated, but there are matters that can be amended, and whatever is to be attained can be attained only by careful consideration of the requirements of the whole Fleet. Many of the representations of the 1919-20 conference remained without response. Let

them be considered afresh, and enforced with reasoned and cogent argument before presentation to the Admiralty, with any other points that may arise.

There is no disposition anywhere to question the high importance of giving all that can be reasonably given to the men of the Lower Deck. Officers have requirements also, but upon them the silence of the Navy has been imposed. The good will comes from within the Navy, not from any outside pressure, and when the requests are made and their reasonableness is acknowledged, the Admiralty will be in a good posture to obtain the necessary supplies from the Treasury.

The symptom of unrest when the strain of war is relaxed is not uncommon. After the Russo-Japanese war there were disquieting signs in the Japanese Fleet, and Admiral Togo therefore made a practice of taking his ships to sea and withdrawing them from unseasonable influences. There were like tokens of unrest in the United States Navy after the war with Spain, and such tokens have increased a hundredfold after the recent war. During that war many technical and other specialists came into the British Fleet, and could not all be dispensed with at the demobilisation. They have the instinct of the shore rather than of the sea, and among them some discontent may smoulder. But the real sea service is sui generis. It has an admirable salt savour of its own. Whatever it can have of better emolument or comfort it richly merits. Its needs cannot be sought and most surely gained in active resumption of work in preparation for the deliberations of the next Welfare Committee. Let, therefore, the Inter-Port Representatives, with a proper outlook, sagaciously mature their programme. Their abstention would be intolerable.

LONDON-PARIS PASSENGER FLIGHTS INCREASING.

Paris, Aug. 12.—During the month of July 933 persons travelled by air between London and Paris. This makes a daily average of 30 passengers. The gradual increase in traffic is shown in the following figures of the number of passengers carried in the early months of the year:—February, 102; March, 183; April, 198; May, 450; June, 775.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1920.

THE CHINA COAST DISPUTE.

For some time past it has been known that fresh demands have recently been made on the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company and the China Navigation Company by the China Coast Officers and Engineers' Guilds, and the nature of these (chiefly an all-round increase in pay) were disclosed yesterday by the Hon. Mr. John Johnstone at the shareholders' meeting of the former Company. The wisdom of this course cannot be questioned, in view of the fact that the Guilds have been sounding members as to whether they are prepared to insist "to the uttermost" on these demands—in other words, whether they would be prepared to go on strike in order to secure their concession. Such a contingency would very naturally affect the business community, the general public and the shareholders of the Company, and for that reason it is well that the nature of the dispute were publicly made known. The attitude of Directors of the Indo-China Company is that a halt must be called to the continuous demands made by the Guild, that the stability of the Company may be strained to breaking point if fresh concessions are made, and that in view of future uncertainty in the shipping world it is essential that the Company should build up its reserves so as to be able to face rainy days, and not go on indefinitely incurring permanent fixed charges. That attitude has been endorsed by the shareholders, as was evident from the speeches delivered at yesterday's meeting.

Now, whilst it would be unfair and impossible to come to a final judgment on the merits of the Guilds' demands without first hearing the latter's observations on Mr. Johnstone's speech, there are, nevertheless, a few points of importance which are worthy of emphasis at this stage. For example, it is undisputed that very material concessions have been made to the men in recent years, and in this connection mention may be made of the fact that the 20 per cent. war bonus has been incorporated in their pay; a pensions scheme has been devised and put into operation, and so far as the married seafarers go privileges have been granted which were undreamt of say ten or fifteen years ago. Figures are often double edged weapons, which can be used with effect in support of whatever contention is in hand, but, in spite of that, some of those mentioned by Mr. Johnstone are worth noticing, and until they are shown to possess other values, they can well be utilised to support his case. Mr. Johnstone does not seek to hide the fact that the men in 1910-14 received a larger percentage of the earnings and net profits of the Company than they did in 1919, but what he says stress on is that whereas the total wages paid in those former years came to £66,593, by 1919 the wage bill had risen to £248,788, which, by other concessions, reached a permanent total increase of over £266,000. In other words, four times the figure first quoted. And in three of those pre-war years the shareholders got no return at all, whilst in the other two the dividends were by no means large. There are, of course, many factors to be taken into account when considering figures like these, and perhaps the fairest method would be to give the average wage per man in their respective classes during these periods. The Guilds, or one of them at any rate, speak of recent concessions as "meagre," but on that point it will be illuminating to hear what they have to say in answer to Mr. Johnstone's assertion that, after allowing \$100 for expenses (excluding messing, which is provided) a Junior Second Officer, with the dollar at 4s., would be able to remit home £27 monthly, a Junior Chief Officer over £35 and a Junior Master £71. On the face of things, that hardly looks as though the men were underpaid.

We can quite easily see the Company's standpoint that there must be a limit to these constantly recurring fixed charges. Its argument is that there is, in view of new competition, the necessity of strengthening the fleet, the increased running charges and the permanent increases in pay, every prospect of a return to pre-war conditions in the near future and that as there is no possibility of the present high rate of earnings continuing, there would be grave risk of crippling the Company if further heavy recurring costs were added now. In other words, realising that in pre-war years they made practically no return to shareholders, they want to know how the Company can possibly be kept solvent if there is a return to old earning conditions whilst at the same time fixed charges have become quadrupled. That is a point on which the Guilds would do well to concentrate in their reply to Mr. Johnstone. The latter has, at any rate, cited facts and figures to show that the men's demands cannot reasonably be met, whereas, if all the correspondence has been disclosed, the Guilds have made no effort whatever to substantiate the justice of their demands. They now have an opportunity of dealing with the points which Mr. Johnstone has especially emphasised, and if they wish to secure popular support they will not delay in putting their case clearly before the public.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

Yesterday we had a few words to say on the subject of choosing the team which is to represent Hongkong in the forthcoming Interport cricket matches. We were going to say a good deal more than we did, but owing to the lengthy report of the Indo-China meeting we were compelled to leave over several other things as well. Our object in referring to this matter is to do away with any possibility of "grousing" on the part of Clubs which are not so prominent as the Hongkong Cricket Club. The point to be kept in mind is that the team must be representative, in the fullest sense of the word. The three gentlemen mentioned at the meeting of the Cricket Club are known to be thorough sportsmen and we have every confidence that they will discharge their task of selecting a team without bias. But it is a choice that should not be left to members of one Club. The selecting Committee should be as representative as the team—that is if there are going to be avoided recriminations and unpleasantness. Let us look at how the tennis team is being fixed. When the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association asked Hongkong to fix up an Interport engagement it made a point of emphasising its wish that the team chosen should be representative of the Colony rather than of any one Club. That wish is being respected, for there has been appointed a Selection Committee—the only reasonable thing that could be done. We want the same policy followed in connection with the cricket fixture and we suggest that without delay that representatives of all the Cricket Clubs in the Colony be got together for the purpose of appointing a Selection Committee, whose business it shall be to keep its eyes on aspiring players and finally to choose the team. That would be fair to everybody; in short, it would be "cricket."

We notice that in the list of names of the men who are taking part in next Saturday's trial match are the names of several men who belong to Clubs other than the Hongkong Cricket Club and whilst that is extremely satisfactory one has to remember that the final selection will eliminate all but eleven players and, say, two reserves. Hongkong has more good men than there are places for, and it is not fair to put upon three men, all from one Club, the burden of the final choice. Nor is it fair to the other Clubs. We do hope that our point will be appreciated before it is too late to do anything.

THE VOLUNTEER CAMP.

The announcement that we were able to make yesterday that the Lower Camp is to be opened on November 27, did, we think, come as an agreeable surprise to many members of the Volunteer Defence Corps, for it was believed by many that a Camp would not be possible this year. It is a pretty open secret that the majority of the younger men in the Corps have joined not so much because they are fired with a patriotic desire to be of military service to the Colony in case of need, but in order to get the benefit of a few days' stay in the country, away from a time from the usual run of things in Hongkong. It may be that it is a hankering after the rough and ready conditions they went through during the days of the late war; it may be a desire to get a few days "off"—at any rate it is a healthy desire and we welcome it for that reason. The Ordinance states that there need be only a minimum attendance of three days, but we know that a good many of the men will want to put in longer period if possible. During the war, when staffs were small, it was arranged that men of the Defence Corps could put in their six days over a number of week-ends, but we think that firms will not be so insistent now on such a procedure. The men should have the time off when it is most convenient to the Corps. If employers will co-operate in that matter it will do much to popularise the Corps, the strength of which is still much below what one would like to see.

SATURDAY'S GYMKHANA.

Provided it is favoured with fine weather, Saturday's Gymkhana should prove to be one of the most successful ever yet held. Not only has there been a record entry, but, owing to the very close position of the two leading ponies, contesting for the Gymkhana Stakes, interest is

DAY BY DAY.

A PURE CONSCIENCE MAY DEFY SILLY GOSSIPS.

Mr. E. J. Grist left by the Colombia yesterday.

One British imported case of enteric fever was notified yesterday.

The anniversary of the birthday of Confucius falls due to-morrow.

To-morrow, according to the Chinese calendar, is the festival of Han-Ju ("Cold Dew").

By the Colombia, Mr. D. J. Hanscom left yesterday for Shanghai, where he will be stationed as Assistant Far Eastern Manager of the Admiral Line.

The contents of Hongkong reservoirs on October 1st totalled 2,093.46 million gallons, against 2,030.39 million gallons on the same date last year. At Kowloon, the contents were 374 and 352.50 million gallons respectively.

The British vessel Ping Seng (Captain Matthews) arrived on Tuesday morning at 3.30, to be repaired by the Kwong Tak Cheong firm. She is of 350 tons and is an old vessel. It is stated that she will be sold to Chinese here.

We understand that Mr. McL. Messer is returning to the Colony from furlough early in November, and that on his return the Hon. Mr. D. W. Traillman, Colonial Treasurer, will revert to the post of Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

A Peking telegram to hand yesterday states that the Ministry of Communications has decided to recommence the building of Canton-Hankow and Szechuen Railways, and if the Bank Group refuses to continue the old agreement, some other means must be found to raise the necessary funds.

Despite the inclement weather, the open-air dance and supper at the Club de Recreio on Tuesday night proved a complete success. After successive showers of rain, gangs of coolies four times dried the splendid dancing floor which had been specially laid for the occasion, whilst there were over 120 ladies present and they all remained to the end, supper being held in the open-air at 12.30 a.m.

A mishap which might have resulted in serious consequences but for the prompt action of the Police, took place amidst the general interest shown in the finish of the Harbour Swim yesterday. The press of spectators on Murray Pier produced too great a strain on the timbers. Suddenly a loud crack was heard, and the spectators were seen to hurriedly jump back from a number of timbers that had given way. Fortunately no one was involved in the breakage, and the prompt action of the Police in pressing back the crowd from the Pier no doubt prevented a total collapse of the structure.

A Chinese medicine hawk who carried on his business on the Kowloon steamers was this morning brought up before the Magistrate in connection with the offence of having in his possession two small swords without the usual permit from the Police. The Chinese stated that he was a boxer (?) and the weapons were used for the purpose of displaying his prowess. The Police, however, where less credulous of his attainments. They gave it out that he was a juggler, pure and simple. The weapons were ordered by the Magistrate to be confiscated from the defendant who was then discharged.

Running high in the main event, Saturday's Gymkhana meetings this season have brought out the fact that the attendances at these functions is larger than was the wont a few seasons ago, and it is confidently expected that there will be big cash sweep and pari-mutuel dividends on Saturday. Our correspondent "Wireless" has, we think, very materially assisted in creating an even larger amount of public interest. In another column of to-day's issue will be found yesterday morning's times.

ROSEMARY AND RUE.

(BY "TONY.")

ANNIVERSARY.

Pascheendale, 4th October, 1917.

VANITY.

Most of us are afflicted with that very human weakness—vanity. It is graded—nice or nasty—according to the nature or the disposition. The most unassuming or diffident of men have a strain of it in them. Pompous and prosperous persons with protruding paunches exude it; and pink-faced curates have been known to possess nearly as much of it as a woman. And that leads up to the essence of vanity—woman's eternal weakness. She will hate another woman whose frock is a little more fashionable, a little more expensive—than her own. And, however much she dislikes another's creature's hat, it will be, "Oh, it's perfectly lovely, my dear," while all the time she thinks how much nicer she looks in her own. Women tacitly acknowledge their vanity by using little vanity bags, through the medium of which they may surreptitiously powder their noses. Take that modest creature, the journalist. He is frequently too hard up, or pretends to be, to join in the sartorial chase of fashion. Possibly he does not care a pot of raspberry whether his collar is of the Arrow brand or a plain up-and-downer, or whether his shoes are brogues or bulbous American atrocities. But tell him how much you enjoyed reading his last article and his face will positively shine with satisfaction like that of a kid with a persimmon. But suggest to him, or better still tell somebody else, what a lot of mush you thought it was and you will make a life-long enemy. Aye, vanity. Its influence is legion. It is rooted in us in a thousand sinuous ways. And mankind (and womankind) delight in it and love it. But it is not without its advantages, for by its aid we are able to examine ourselves and to realise what confounded hypocrites we are.

DUST.

Passing along Wyndham Street we became aware of a tickling in the throat, our eyes were smarting and we were compelled to gag ourselves with our handkerchiefs. An enormous cloud of dust came vollying out from an ancient and tottering building which was in the process of demolition. We were too busy coughing and spitting to swear and in imagining the atmosphere filled with every kind of germ known to science. Possibly we were partly right, and the accumulation of years of dust from long untouched corners may have released numberless minute creatures which magnified, would have assumed fearful and horrible shapes. We hurried along, coughing and spluttering and ferriedly wishing that we might, at an early day, heartily join in the "dust to dust" ritual on those who were responsible for such a menace to the public health.

The Lyon of the hour—the winner of the 220 yards Swimming Championship of the Colony.

NO MAN'S LAND.

You come suddenly to the trenches in Happy Valley. Running through a small wood with high and serviceable parapets, they curve through the centre of a junction of roads. Here is a lovely machine gun position from which the converging approaches could be swept with Lewis gun fire; there, an old pipe makes an excellent firestep; and in places there is every appearance of newly-commenced dug-outs. The scene reminds you forcibly of the well-remembered but fed-up days in shattered Flanders, when you greedily ate your bully beef liberally flavoured with mud.

Holding your chin in your fingers you contemplate the scene of upheaval with a retrospective eye. For the moment you are back in the Valley of Desolation, when good old pals—Jocks, Tommies and Diggers—passed out of your ken into the unknown. You remember the time when poor old Shorty and Bill stood smoking in just such a piece of trench as that and. There is a roar of explosion and pieces of earth are blown into the air. You duck instinctively from past practice. It is the coolies blasting inside the trench. You stand a moment, indignant at this attack on your nervous system,

and feel inclined to follow their example. From the distant hillside, a muffled roar, like the fire of a 3.2, tells of more blasting. The warning boom of a motor car forces you to step quickly aside into the trees that line the road just in time, as the car passes swiftly along a road barely wide enough for a single vehicle. You mutter a curse on the authorities for not closing such a dangerous spot to traffic. Then you continue your walk, picking up the threads of the episode of what happened to Shorty and Bill.

PAN GONE TO POT.

Custom and superstition die hard. In these days of enlightenment and education it is difficult to conceive how superstition can survive. And yet there are still people who believe in the luck of the proverbial horseshoe or have ominous forebodings concerning Fridays. But look higher to the universities and high schools and to people of culture who ought to know better, who still cling to the inclusion of the teaching of mythology. It cannot be because these useless legends are beautiful or really enjoyable. But it is evident that a vein of superstition still runs in most of us that calls for indulgence in morbid literature masquerading under the name of the classics. Take the god Pan, together with all his horrid trappings, his hoofs and weird pipes and his general beastliness. Is there any real pleasure in the reading of him? Or the impossible Perseus with his winged sandals and the helmet that rendered him invisible so that he might slay the Gorgons—the three bags—with but a solitary eye and a tooth between them? To include such absurdities in modern education is not only laughable but foolish, for they crowd out new and practical forms of education which might be of benefit to us in these days of strife and war debts. In the name of common sense, do we honestly wish to read or hear of such nonsensical characters? If the fable of Jonah and the whale or the fallacies of Moses are now turned curiously aside, it is time mythology is relegated to the dustheap of useless things. This is an age of stern necessity. When we need life and energy in our every system, the resolute abolition of mythology, the dead languages and similarly lifeless things that are productive of nothing in particular, should give place to something better. And in these times of precedence when effete systems have gone into the melting pot of change, there too should go Pan and all his classical br ther and sister characters in mythology. It is possible that the joke may be turned on me by the declaration that it is a case of pot calling pan black. But the fact remains: you cannot make black white.

AFFINITY.

How strange it is that some men still believe The human race is allied to the ape; And they rejoice to think that lovely Eve Derived from simian forbears her sweet shape.

Perhaps it's like the old old hackneyed fable, When Reynard stood beneath the bunch of grapes, A-slavering to reach them but unable. So is it with the theorists of the apes.

ASPIRATIONS.

The organisation of the Kowloon Residents' Association is becoming a veritable Samson. But as it increases in strength it must beware of its enemy Delilah and resist the blandishments which it will inevitably encounter. At the recent meeting the President put forward the excellent idea of creating a Kowloon Municipal Council with an unofficial majority, subject to the Governor's veto, to celebrate the Peninsula's Jubilee under the British flag. But why perpetuate the Sanitary Board idea? Let us have a Council with some semblance of executive authority, even if it is only on a small scale to begin with, and to show what good work can be done by this very excellent organisation. Now, Mr. President, some of Singapore's embryonic politicians held a mock Town Council last week. And if the K. R. A. seriously aspires to the formation of a municipality, why not follow Singapore's example and get in a little practice in preparation for the more serious work ahead? Get to business, and let us hope it will not turn out a foot.

TO-DAY'S NEWS.

The Army and Navy. Up-to-date equipment for the child detective force is most important. If criminals have motor cars the police must have them too. The list of "unsolved mysteries" is not likely to grow less until every handiwork on earth is detected—and there are many of them—has been scrapped. Taken all round, our forces of police are zealous and well-mannered. But their keenness blunted by adherence to old-fashioned ideas and methods in detection of crime?

Commenting on the number of women seen on the grouse moors this season, a contemporary refers to women game shots as quite a modern innovation. Yet, there is a game licence extant (now in the possession of Lord Howard de Walden) granted by King Henry VIII, on May 31, 1541, to Anne, Dowager Countess of Oxford. This empowers her to invite friends to kill game with cross-bows or hand-guns in any part of the realm provided that these shooting parties took place only when the Countess herself was present. The privilege—at first granted *in* under the Royal prerogative—was naturally resented by other landowners, and the Countess and her shooting guests were threatened with prosecutions for poaching. Whereupon she induced the King to give her a formal permission in writing and to confirm the document by letters patent under the Great Seal of England.

Sir Eric Drummond's purchase of the Hotel National, Geneva, on behalf of the League of Nations (writes a correspondent) set me hunting through a book, "Hotels, Pensions, and Mountain Railways of Switzerland," picked up when holiday-making in that country ten years ago. This bulky volume (it is 18 inches broad and nearly half as long) yielded nothing of interest about the Hotel National; but some of the other notices—apparently drafted in, English by the hoteliers themselves—proved delightful reading. The Hotel Simmenthal, Zwigglen, claims to be "known by cooking and drinking (Specialty: trout). Carriages in the hotel for desire," whilst the Hotel de Couronne, Argenterie, has "carriages, guides, and mules in the hotel." Scenery is the chief attraction offered visitors to the Schloss Hotel, Spiez. "Even if one doesn't know if there is to be preferred picturesque landscape or the grandiose high mountains and then it is again the changing, richly-formed foreground which makes the whole to a unique, the senses so refreshing landscape."

This ought to prove an important and inspiring anniversary for the persevering people—including at least one lady—who are going to attempt to swim the Channel when the weather improves. It was on August 25, 1875, that Captain Matthew Webb, who had failed a fortnight before, reached Calais, having dived the previous afternoon from the Admiralty Pier at Dover. Webb, the son of a Shropshire surgeon, was a sailor of baroncal physique and "breadth of beam," as he called it, who could not possibly have been packed into the same tub with Mr. Gilbert Chesterton without the aid of a steam rammer. He owed his success mainly to sheer strength and endurance, but partly also to a favourable set of tides. He had anointed his body with a noxious compound of grease and porpoise oil, used the breast stroke, turning on his back when he wanted a rest, and was sustained during his twenty-two hours swim by a remarkable mixture of cod liver oil, beef tea, brandy, and strong old ale; but towards the end he took black coffee to keep himself awake. Webb's triumph proved to be a personal misfortune, for he was ruined by popular adulation, and he was a broken man both physically and financially when he attempted the too-hardy feat of swimming the rapids of Niagara.

STOWAWAYS SURROUNDED.

After the French liner *Nagasaki* had gone through the quarantine process at New York, the crew of two stowaways were taken from the vessel. The stowaways were found in the hold of the ship, and were surrounded by the crew. The stowaways were taken to the hospital, and the ship was allowed to depart.

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KING OF THE

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong
Telegraph.")

GARAGE CHARGES.

Sir,—I feel that the cheap sneer of "Ajax" in your issue of the 5th inst. should not pass without comment. In the first place, the style adopted by "Ajax" when someone has the temerity to disagree with him is a very objectionable form of journalism. Moreover, on "Ajax's" own showing, "H. C. L." was perfectly correct when pointing out the error in the statement about the cheapness of car hire in Hongkong as compared with the Straits and the Dutch East Indies. Likewise "Ajax" is a little hasty in dismissing the question of exchange in such an airy manner, since it must be borne in mind that the car and materials are imported and usually from the same source of supply. Reference to exchange quotations for the last year will show that the Straits garage has had to pay 30 per cent. to 100 per cent. and the Dutch East Indies 100 per cent. up, more than the Hongkong garage in their respective currencies for cars, etc. This much more than balances the higher wages, etc., of Hongkong, as regards the oft-told tale of this Colony's roads, it is about time that people realised that beyond a small increase in running cost this tale is only camouflage for *Synceze*, *But Driving and Inferior Materials*.

Yours etc.
ANOTHER H.C.L.

THE A.D.C.

FORTHCOMING
PRODUCTION.

A large number of ladies, as well as leading members of the Chinese community, are actively engaged in the disposal of advance tickets for the forthcoming A.D.C. production, which will be given on 29th and 30th inst. in aid of the Famine Relief Fund.

Booking for holders of these advance tickets opens at Moutrie's on Wednesday, 20th inst., at 9 a.m., two days ahead of general booking, which commences on Friday, 22nd inst.

A big demand is anticipated for these tickets owing to the very deserving nature of the charity; and those who wish to avail themselves of this opportunity are advised to do so without delay.

A limited number of such tickets can now be procured at Moutrie's, or by applying direct to Mr. C. Baker (Messrs. Gilman & Co.), who is supervising their distribution.

CRICKET.

INTERPORT TRIAL MATCH.

The following teams have been selected for a trial match to be played on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground on Saturday next, 9th October, at 2.15 p.m.

"A" Team.—W. G. D. Turner (Capt.), Capt. Oliver, Major Edwards, G. B. Sayer, General McNaughton, F. J. de Rome, Lt. Franks, C. Baker, A. E. Wood, A. A. Rumbold, Lt. Hammond, Col. Bowen, W. D. Wilson.

"B" Team.—R. Hinecock (Capt.), R. E. D. Bird, Capt. Davies, Capt. Harris, E. B. Reed, Capt. Spink, J. Stalker, Capt. Gray, T. E. Pearce, Major Bagnall, K. B. Macmillan, J. P. Briggs, B. D. Evans.

MIDDLE CLASS EDUCATION.

FORTHCOMING TESTS OF
ITS EFFICIENCY.

The Civil Service Commissioners, who are responsible for testing the qualifications of candidates for appointments of any grade in Government offices, are preparing for a public examination on a scale which has no precedent in the history of the Commission.

It has been intimated to the thousands of persons of both sexes who have been temporarily employed under the Ministry of Munitions, Ministry of Pensions and other Government departments in connection with the war that all who desire to continue in their employment must in October submit themselves for a test examination such as would be required of ordinary candidates for lower grade position in the Civil Service.

PROSPECT OF DISMISSAL.

Owing to its being necessary to maintain a larger clerical staff in some Government offices than was required before the war, it is not proposed to dispense with all the "war workers," but a very large reduction is now imminent. For some time past there has been consternation in the army of these temporary Government servants over the prospect of early dismissal, and the news that all, with the exception of married women, who pass the forthcoming examination will be retained as permanent Civil Servants has relieved the minds of thousands of these wage-earners who have any confidence in their abilities. Also there is an optimistic anticipation that those who have somehow been "pitchforked" into positions of authority, carrying special rates of payment, and have proved themselves incompetent, will find their level and their places will be filled by proper promotion.

As a considerable number, lacking confidence, have decided not to attempt the examination, it are not desirous of permanent clerical employment, the Civil Service Commissioners will not require to examine as many as 10,000 candidates or more, but it seems probable that the number will far exceed 1,000.

THE CLERKSHIP TESTS.

Apart from the extraordinary number of candidates, the examination, if it is not to be a merely nominal test, will prove remarkably interesting as a means of obtaining information as to the average standard of education and intelligence existing among the middle class of this country, those whose education, owing to their position in life, has not interested the education authority, and therefore, in many cases, is not up to the standard of men and women who have attended council schools. The subjects in which candidates will have to pass for clerkships, as distinguished from "assistant writing ships," will be required to qualify

are writing, and "general knowledge."

"Coaches," whose assistance has been sought by a large number of those who are energetically preparing for the ordeal, have already met with surprising revelations of the ignorance of some of their pupils, while they have also been impressed by the earnestness with which these, especially the ladies, are endeavouring to acquire the necessary knowledge in the limited time at their disposal.

NEW "PONS ASINORUM." Ladies, many of them daughters of professional men, some of middle age (there is no age limit), who have found difficulty in adding up a grocer's book correctly, are wrestling with the rudiments of arithmetic, and, for the first time in their lives, reading the daily newspaper with interest, with a view to the "General knowledge" subject, which threatens to be as dangerous a stumbling block as it has often proved to many an examination candidate to whom vulgar fractions, or even, the first four books of Euclid, would be child's play.

If the opportunity afforded by this examination could be utilised, not only for the purpose of weeding out temporary Government clerks, but also for arriving, with some definite object, at an idea of the educational standard of the class of men and women who will be examined, the Commissioners could throw an interesting light on the great subject of education, possibly with beneficial result.

COMPANY MEETING.

CANTON INSURANCE
OFFICE.

Shareholders in the Canton Insurance Office were called to an extraordinary general meeting which took place at noon to-day, in the offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., under the chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. John Johnstone. There were present Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. G. W. Barton and T. E. Pearce (Consulting Committee), F. C. Hall (Acting Secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. A. Murdoch, D. V. Stevenson, J. Bell-Irving, J. Arnold, Ho Leung, and Lo Man Hin.

The Chairman:—It being past the hour for which this meeting was called, I will call on the Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting.

The Secretary having read the notice, the Chairman continued:—Gentlemen,—This Meeting is called in order to confirm the resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 21st ultimo, having for its object the adoption of the revised set of Articles, copies of which have been open to the inspection of shareholders. I do not think that it is necessary for me to say anything in explanation of this resolution and with your permission I will now put it to the meeting. I now propose:—

"That the Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 21st September 1920 That the new Articles contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be, and the same are hereby approved, and that such new Articles be, and they are hereby adopted, as the Articles of the Company in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, all the existing Articles thereof be confirmed as a special Resolution."

Seconded by Mr. J. Arnold, the resolution was carried unanimously.

The Chairman:—That is all the business, gentlemen, I thank you for your attendance.

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Dunera	P. & O.	Oct. 15
Bearn	J. C. J. L.	Oct. 15
Dakar	M. N. Y. K.	Oct. 16
Nankin	P. & O.	Oct. 16
Tosa	M. N. Y. K.	Oct. 17
West Jessup	S. & D.	Oct. 17
Mishima	M. N. Y. K.	Oct. 18
Teiresias	B. & S.	Oct. 18
Teiresias	B. & S.	Oct. 18
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Nikko	M. N. Y. K.	Oct. 20
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Keemun	B. & S.	Oct. 21
Wakasa	M. N. Y. K.	Oct. 22
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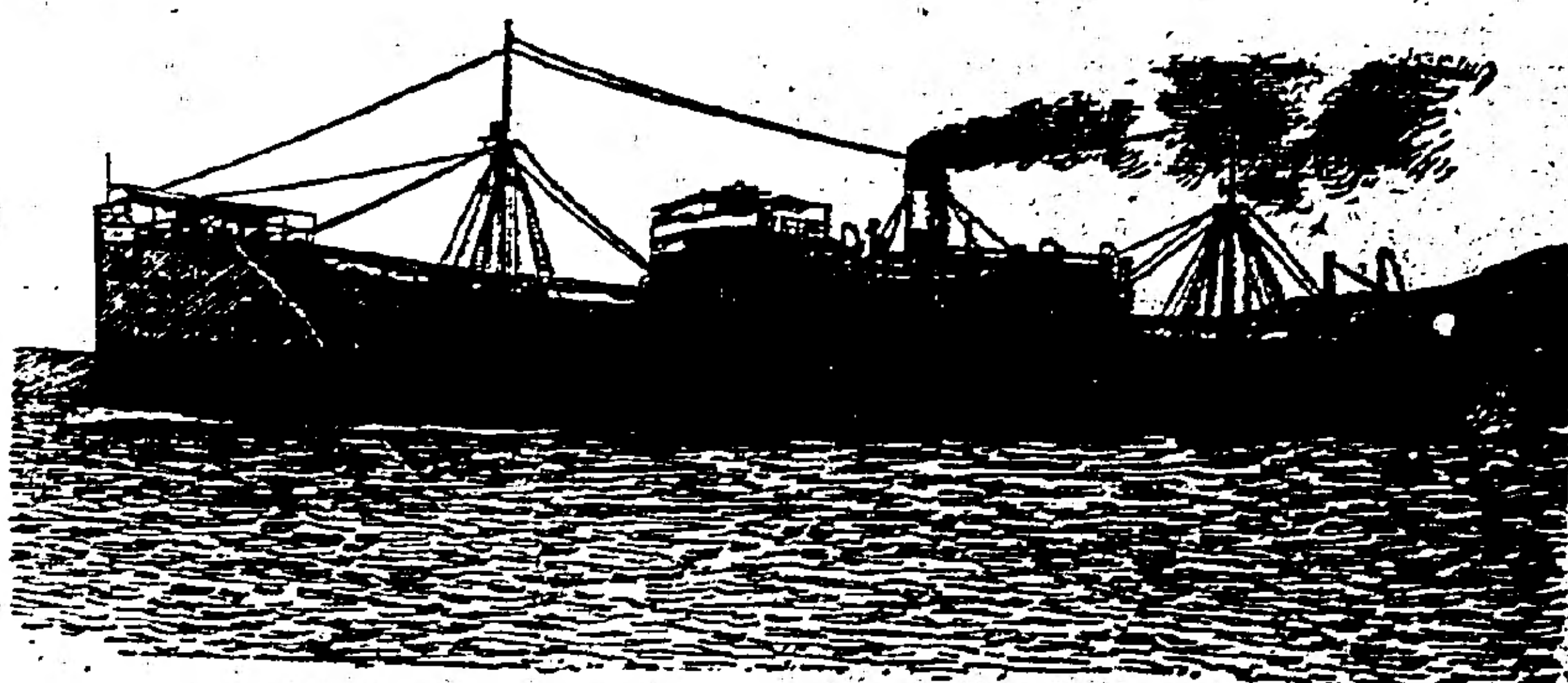
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The TAKSANG came into port this morning from Manila with 308 tons of old iron for the Colony.—Mooring C 33.

From Taingtau the FUDO MARU consigned here this morning 2,166 tons of salt.—Mooring B 9.

The U.S.S.B.'s LAKE FARAR arrived this morning from Saigon with 2,850 tons for Hongkong. She reports strong winds and high seas.—Mooring C 33.

CLEARANCES AND DEPARTURES.

The DEVAWONGSE will leave tomorrow at 10 a.m. for Saigon with 400 tons.

The HOCK LEE leaves this evening at 5.30 for Swatow with 121 tons.

The KAIJO MARU left, under ballast yesterday at 5 p.m. for Wakamatsu.

The SUNNING departed at noon today for Shanghai with 1,000 tons.

The LIANG CHOW left at 4 o'clock this afternoon for Singapore via Amoy with general cargo.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMAKURA M. (Liverpool Line) left Liverpool for this port via Suez on the 29th August, and is expected here on the 10th October.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMO M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez, on the 20th Sept. and is expected here on the 28th Oct.

The N. Y. K. s.s. AKI MARU (Australian Line) left Sydney for Hongkong via ports on the 24th Sept., and is expected here on the 15th October.

The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE, left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai on the 13th Sept. and is due here on or about the 15th October.

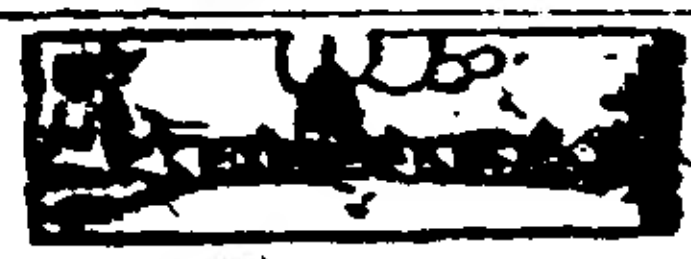
The Robert Dollar Company's U.S.S.B. WEST IRA, (San Francisco Line) left San Francisco on September 12th, and is due in Hongkong October 16th.

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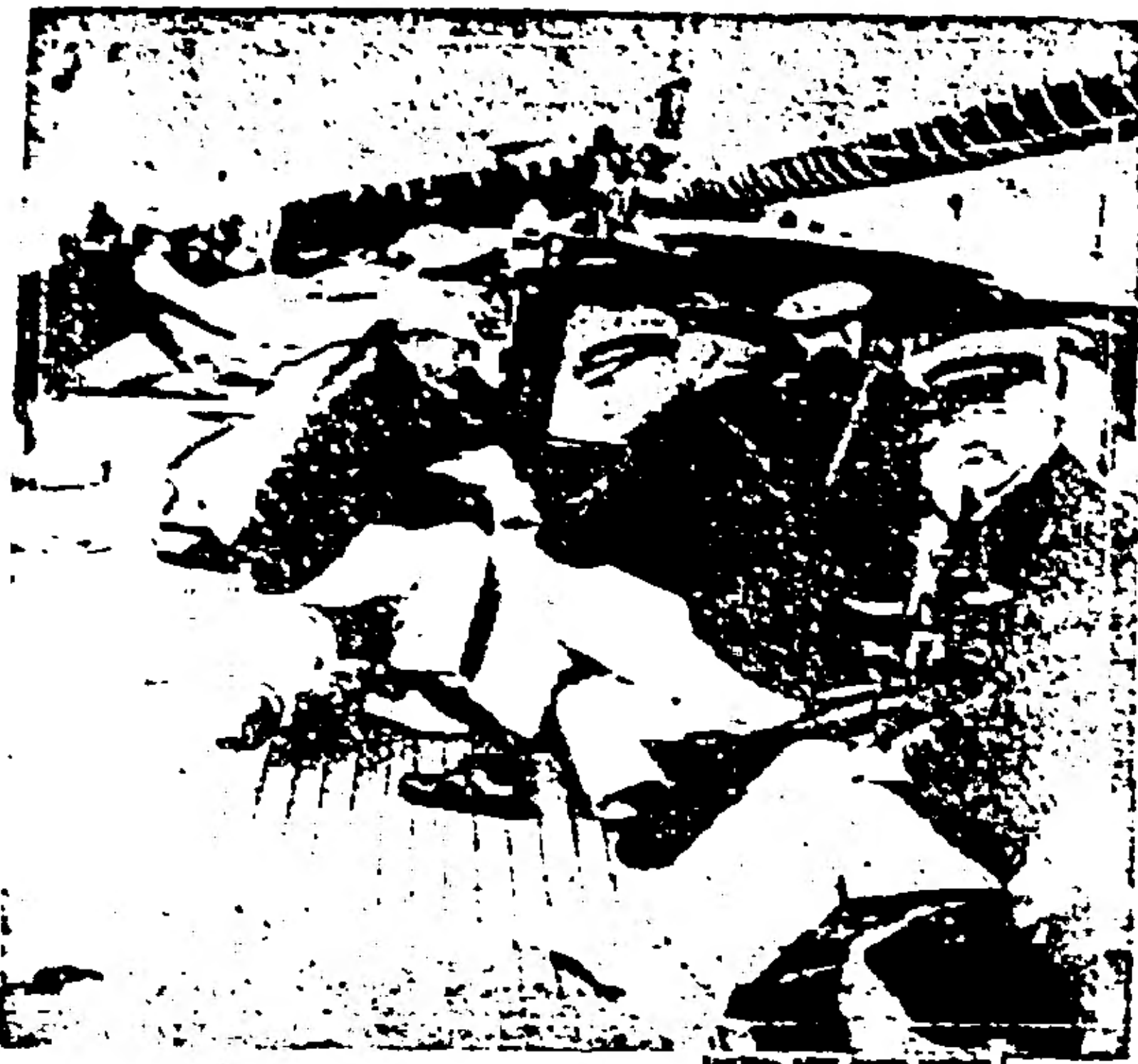
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The N. Y. K. s.s. YETOROFU M. (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 2nd October and is expected here on the



CAMERA NEWS



KING GEORGE AT LEISURE.

His Majesty King George, photographed while seated on an extra mast lying on the deck of the Royal Yacht Britannia, while the craft was taking part in the recent Regatta at Cowes. He is chatting with the Duke of Connaught.



LORD MONTAGU MARRIED.

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu leaving the church with his bride, Miss Pearl Crake.



COMMANDER OF POLISH ARMY GREET'S FRENCH GENERAL.

General Haller, commander of Poland's Army of Defence against the Bolsheviks, is greeting General Weyand.



SMASHES HURDLE RECORD.

Frank Loomis, of the Chicago Athletic Association who smashed the world's record at Antwerp for the 400 metre hurdles with 54 seconds flat, a full second better than the time made by C. Bacon in the London Olympics in 1908.



EXORTED TO FIGHT.

A Polish priest exhorting peasants to rally to arms in defence of their country.



TROTSKY AS PROPAGANDIST.

Leon Trotsky in his special travelling office on board the propaganda train in Russia.



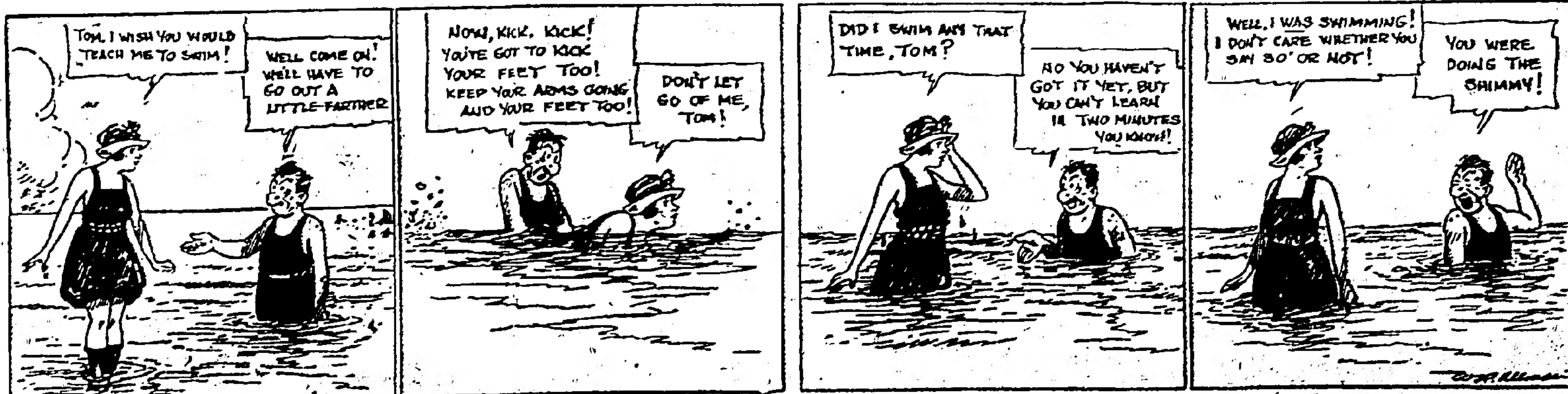
BREAKS HIS OWN WORLD RECORD.

Frank K. Foss, who pole vaulted the great height of 13 feet 5 1/2 inches at Antwerp—exceeding his next competitor by over a foot and beating his own world record.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS.

Just What Do You Mean, Tom?

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Hongkong.

THE YOUNG OFFENDER.

FAILURE OF THE BIRCH.

Some light is thrown on the causes of offences by children and on the failure of the existing means of dealing with young offenders by the report of the Juvenile Organizations Committee on Juvenile Delinquency, which has just been issued by the Board of Education (Stationery Office, 9d.)

In order to furnish evidence of the predisposing causes of juvenile delinquency, returns were furnished to the Committee from juvenile courts in a large sample, a big industrial centre, an iron manufacturing town, and a metropolitan artisan borough. The Committee point out that, while a few of the cases classified under the heading of "larceny" are of grave significance, one offender is a clever lad of 15, who, with calculation and cunning, steals a large sum of money from his employer while himself earning good wages and living in a comfortable home. The next is a group of little Poor Law children in a cottage home who have made a raid on lemonade and buns. Another of a different type again is a boy who, at 15, is left by his father's death chief breadwinner for a large family of younger brothers and sisters. His earnings are too small for their support, and the home is one of deep poverty. All these are cases of larceny on the case sheets, but there are few elements of likeness between the actual cases, where the motives prompting the offence were so obviously different.

It is evident that extreme poverty is a contributory cause of theft, but on the other hand 68 per cent. of the offenders who steal are without that excuse. There is always a possibility that the parent has deliberately incited the child to theft. The love of adventure probably leads many boys to housebreaking and shop-breaking.

THE GANG SPIRIT.
There is a clearly marked tendency for young offenders to join forces. In each town more than half the offences were committed by groups. Members of the same group often re-appear together and occasionally a third time. The gang has its leading member, who usually may be identified as the ringleader.

commit at various times, sometimes with one companion and again with a different group of followers. Some organisation is involved in the leadership of these groups, particularly in the larger ones, the committee point out that this spirit of comradeship and co-operation is good material which might be put to better use.

Sunday, the day of leisure, has by far the highest record of offences in three out of the four towns, the exception being a town famed for its Sunday schools, where the offences on Sunday are actually fewer than on any other day of the week.

The Committee point to the need of some setting policy in regard to frequent offenders. At present it appears as though one method after another is tried in each case by the authorities, without any constructive scheme in view. The degree of the offence is often dependent upon the opportunity, and the boy who has stolen a shilling would perhaps have stolen five if they had been within his reach. Yet, for the most part, each offence is dealt with according to its degree rather than as one of a chain which shows a serious tendency. Again, many gangs of offenders are sentenced in bloc and in the same manner, the ringleader possibly receiving a heavier punishment of the same kind. But this is equal justice in appearance only, for the culpability of each member of the group partly depends upon whether it is his first or his fifth offence and the effect of the same punishment on difference dispositions varies. Here, as elsewhere, there is need for individual case treatment and a wider outlook over the whole history of the boy and the prospects for his future.

BIRCHING AND REPRISAL.
Dealing with the forms of punishment administered in two of the towns under notice, the Committee show that 25.8 of the cases in which the birch was given reappeared within one month and 76.65 within two years. The large number of reappearances after this form of punishment is remarkable, but the allowance must be made for the fact that it is usually the bad type of boy who is whipped. Some of these seem to return, whatever the punishment. Probably many of the boys are accustomed at home to some drastic whippings, and a further legislative punishment is not likely to have much effect.

and are correspondingly hardened. And here is the chief argument against this method of dealing with offenders—that it blunts the sensibilities at a time when it is most desirable that a boy should be awakened to intelligent response. Far from proving a deterrent birching sometimes has exactly the opposite effect, as in cases where a boy leaves the Court to repeat his offence immediately. This happens often enough to demand attention. Perhaps the strongest reason why a boy repeats his offence at the first opportunity is bravado, for the members of his gang are watching to see how he takes his punishment, and wondering whether his spirit has been quelled, and he must prove his indifference. Undoubtedly in some temperaments this form of punishment arouses a spirit of revenge for injuries received, no matter how justly, and the only reprisal in the boy's power is a repetition of the offence.

In cases of detention 16.6 per cent. reappeared within a month after punishment and 87.5 per cent. within two years. The only object of birching and detention is that they should have at least a temporary restraining effect, and it is here that they most conspicuously fail.

The Committee are of opinion that at every juvenile court which has to deal with any considerable number of offenders there should be appointed a children's probation officer whose duty it should be not only to supervise cases himself but to secure the cooperation of teachers, Sunday school workers, brigade officers, scout masters and the officers of boys' and girls clubs, so that every child nominally placed under his care may be introduced to one or other of these agencies or at least find someone who would take a personal interest in the welfare of the young offender. The Committee urge the importance of securing that persons specially experienced in dealing with children should be appointed magistrates in juvenile courts, and they are of opinion that would be of great service in such courts. There is no doubt that many children are harshly and foolishly treated in the courts because the magistrates sometimes lack experience of the normal boy or girl, and are incapable of deciding wisely how best to deal with the young offender. The ignorance of circulars and instructions issued from the Office would never arise if the magistrate had a sympathetic understanding of child life and was keen to avail himself of the many facilities for considerate treatment of young people at his disposal. While fully appreciating the great improvement of juvenile offenders since the passing of the Children Act (1908), the Committee are of opinion that much might still be done to secure more general observance of those sympathetic and painstaking methods of procedure which, in the hands of the right kind of magistrate, have already given abundant proof of their efficacy. They urge that the present enactments dealing with judicial procedure should be amended so that the procedure in the courts, and particularly the language used in addressing children, may be simplified. Every child charged should be carefully examined by an experienced doctor before being brought before the court.

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SUNDAY, 10TH OCT.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per KAIJO M., 9 a.m.
Hohow, Pakhoi & Haiphong—Per KAIKONG, 9 a.m.
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MONDAY, 11TH OCT.

*Shanghai and N. China—Per KWONGSANG, 9 a.m.
TUESDAY, 12TH OCT.
Sandakan—Per HINSANG, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAICHING, 1 p.m.
*Swatow and Bangkok—Per CHINHUA, 9 a.m.
Amoy, Shanghai & N. China—Per SHANTUNG, 3 p.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central & S. America & Europe via S. Francisco—Per SIBERIA M., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

WEATHER REPORT

Oct. 7d. 12h. 22m.—Warning to Hongkong: A depression filling up in Lat. 18° N. Long. 113° E.
Oct. 7d. 12h. 25m.—No returns from Japanese stations. Pressure has increased slightly to moderately at the majority of reporting stations. The anticyclone has increased in intensity and the depression in the China Sea is filling up. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the China Coast, and over the north part of the China Sea.
Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.75 inch. Total since January 1st, 94.70 inches, against an average of 77.40 inches.
FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	N.E. winds, fresh to strong; cloudy; rainy, improving later.
2 Formosa Channel	The same as No. 1.
3 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamoocks.	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.	The same as No. 1.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.
H.K. Observatory, Oct. 7.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day	on date.	on date.
Barometer	29.80	29.84
Temperature	77	78
Humidity	92	86
Wind Direction	E. S.W.	E.
Wind Force	4	3
Weather	of or	or
Rain	1.11	0.00
Highest open air	6th 80	
Temperature on the		
Lowest open air	7th 76	
Temperature on the		
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TIDE TABLE.

4th to 10th October, 1920.

Day	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
Oct 4	Oct 5	Oct 6	Oct 7	Oct 8
Mon. 4 m	5.44	1.14	5.31	1.22
Tues. 5 m	5.48	1.15	5.36	1.23
Wed. 6 m	5.52	1.16	5.41	1.24
Thur. 7 m	5.56	1.17	5.46	1.25
Fri. 8 m	6.00	1.18	5.51	1.26
Sat. 9 m	6.04	1.19	5.56	1.27
Sun. 10 m	6.08	1.20	5.61	1.28

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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H.K. & S. Banks b. & sa. 627 1/2
East Asia b. 117

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Canton b. 370
North China b. 153
Union b. 182 1/2
Yangtze b. 23
Far Eastern b. 20

Fire Insurance.

China Fire b. 128
H. K. Fire b. 318

Shipping.

Douglas b. & sa. 70
H.K. Steamboat b. 25 1/2 sa. 26
Indos (Prof.) b. 18
Indos (Def.) L. R. b. 193 sa. 198
Shells b. 155 1/2
Ferries b. 25 1/2

Refineries.

Sugar b. 221
Malacca b. 55

Mining.

Kailash b. 120 1/2
Langkai b. 154
Shanghai Loans b. 154
Shanghai Exploration b. 1
Rams b. 30
Tronoh b. 15 1/2
Ural Caspian b. 15 1/2

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.
H.K. Wharves b. 87 1/2
K. Docks b. 151
Shai Docks b. 126
N. Engineering b. 27

Lands, Hotels & Buildings.
Centra b. 116 1/2
H.K. Hotels b. 143
H.K. Lands b. 117
H.K. Farms b. 8
K. Land b. 40
L. Reclamations b. 140
West Point b. 52

Cotton Mills.
Ewos b. 625
Kung Yik b. 475 1/2
Lau Kung Mow b. 188
Orientals b. 188
Shai Cottons b. 220
Yangtze Paper b. 229

Miscellaneous.
Cements b. 9 sa. 8.90 1/2
China Borneo b. 5.40
China Provident b. 73
Dairy Farms b. 21
Electric H. K. b. 185 1/2
Electric H. K. b. 30
Hongkong Hopson b. 23
H.K. Tramways b. 210
Peak Tram, old b. 73 1/2
Peak Tram, new b. 73 1/2
Steel Foundry b. 15
Waterworks b. 15
Waters b. 15
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